As important as it is to modernize our Nation's banking laws, I cannot accept any bill that would weaken the Community Reinvestment Act and undermine our commitment to promoting more investments in underserved communities. That is why I insisted that no bank that fails to meet the needs of our communities should be able to profit from the new insurance and securities powers that this legislation provides. This tentative agreement includes provisions that meet this test and provide for a strong and relevant Community Reinvestment Act.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

October 18

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Newark, NJ.

In the evening, the President traveled to Elizabeth, NJ, and later returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared a major disaster in New Hampshire and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Floyd on September 16–18.

October 19

In the afternoon, the President met with President Mireya Moscoso of Panama in the Oval Office.

In the evening, the President met with congressional leaders concerning the budget. Later, he attended a Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee dinner at Sam & Harry's Restaurant. The President then attended a Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee dinner at a private residence.

The President announced his intention to nominate Linda J. Bilmes to be Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration at the Department of Commerce.

October 20

The President announced his intention to appoint Frances Ann Ulmer as a member of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint Jan A. Hartke as a member of the Enterprise for the Americas Board.

The President declared a major disaster in Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Irene on October 14 and continuing.

October 21

In the afternoon, the President met with former President Nelson Mandela of South Africa in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to nominate Marc B. Nathanson to be a member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

October 22

The White House announced that the President will travel to Oslo, Norway, on November 1–2, for a state visit, at the invitation of King Harald V.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted October 18

Herschelle S. Challenor,

of Georgia, to be a member of the National Security Education Board for a term of 4 years (reappointment).

Submitted October 19

Donna A. Bucella,

of Florida, to be U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida for the term of 4 years, vice Charles R. Wilson, term expired.

Submitted October 20

Linda J. Bilmes.

of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, vice W. Scott Gould, resigned.

Linda J. Bilmes,

of California, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce, vice W. Scott Gould, resigned.

James B. Cunningham,

of Pennsylvania, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Donald Stuart Hays,

of Virginia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform.

Richard C. Tallman,

of Washington, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, vice Betty Binns Fletcher, retired.

James D. Whittemore,

of Florida, to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, vice William Terrell Hodges, retired.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released October 18

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Announcement of the nomination for U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida

Released October 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Released October 20

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Transcript of a press briefing by Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo on the President's signing of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000

Advance text of remarks by National Security Adviser Samuel Berger: The Middle East on the Eve of the Millennium: Building Peace, Strengthening America's Security

Announcement of nomination for U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida and U.S. Court of Appeals Judge for the Ninth Circuit

Released October 21

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Advance text of remarks by National Security Adviser Samuel Berger: American Power: Hegemony, Isolationism or Engagement

Released October 22

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Announcement: President to Visit Oslo, Norway, November 1–2, 1999

Statement by the Press Secretary on the President's intention to veto Department of the Interior appropriations legislation.

Acts Approved by the President

Approved October 19

S. 559 / Public Law 106-72

To designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building"